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SUBJECT: VIETNAM REFUGEES ON KOREAN VESSEL SAMDOHO

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1. EMBASSY HAS LEARNED FROM UN REPRESENTATIVE SEOUL THAT THE FORTY-FIVE VIETNAMESE REFUGEES ON SAMDOHO HAVE NOT ACTUALLY BEEN PERMITTED TO LAND AS YET. CHECK WITH MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS (MOFA) HAS CONFIRMED THAT REFUGEES ARE STILL ON SAMDOHO WHICH LEFT INCHON YESTERDAY (FEB. 23) AND WILL ARRIVE TODAY AT PUSAN. MINISTRY OF JUSTICE STILL HAS NOT GRANTED PERMISSION FOR REFUGEES TO LAND. HOWEVER, DIRECTOR CONSULAR AFFAIRS MOFA EXPECTS PERMISSION BE GIVEN SHORTLY AND PRESUMABLY REFUGEES WILL EVENTUALLY DEBACK PUSAN WHERE CAMP LOCATED.

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2. CANADIAN IMMIGRATION OFFICER, WHEN QUIRED, STATED THAT HIS OFFICE HAS NOT INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING SAMDOHO REFUGEES. IF ANY WISH TO GO TO CANADA THESE REFUGEES MUST TAKE INITIATIVE AND MAKE REQUEST. CANADIAN OFFICER SAID THAT IF HIS EMBASSY RECEIVED FORMAL REQUEST FROM AMERICAN EMBASSY, SEOUL TO SOLICIT IMMIGRANTS FROM THIS GROUP HE WOULD REFER MATTER TO OTTAWA.

3. EMBASSY HAS BEEN UNABLE CONTACT AUSTRALIAN CONSUL FOR PAST
FEW DAYS RTGARDING REFUGEES. AUSTRALIAN IMMIGRATION OFFICER
IS STATIONED IN TOKYO AND IT WOULD APPEAR THAT HIS OFFICE
WOULD HAVE RESPONSIBILITY FOR RECRUITING REFUGEES.
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